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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 78

Introduced by Assembly Member Salas

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May 20, 2015

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 78—Relative to the CHP Officer Gerald E. Dormaier Memorial Interchange.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 78, as amended, Salas. CHP Officer Gerald E. Dormaier Memorial Interchange.

This measure would designate the interchange at the junction of State Routes 99 and 166 in the County of Kern as the CHP Officer Gerald E. Dormaier Memorial Interchange. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, Officer Gerald E. Dormaier, California Highway
2 Patrol (CHP) Badge No. 4654, was born June 15, 1938, in Arvin,
3 California; and

4 WHEREAS, Gerald Dormaier graduated from Bakersfield High
5 School in 1955, went on to Bakersfield College, and then joined
6 the United States Air Force shortly thereafter; and

7 WHEREAS, Gerald Dormaier was a member of the Future
8 Farmers of America poultry judging team in high school and won
9 first place over 17 other judging teams in a San Joaquin Valley
10 poultry judging contest held at Fresno State College; and

11 WHEREAS, Gerald Dormaier was a doting father and had three
12 wonderful children, Craig, Mark and Valerie; and

13 WHEREAS, Prior to joining the California Highway Patrol,
14 Gerald Dormaier worked in Kern County's oil fields; and

15 WHEREAS, Officer Dormaier graduated from the California
16 Highway Patrol Academy in 1966, and during his 14 years with
17 the CHP, served in the Los Angeles, Anaheim, Tejon, Buellton,
18 Truckee, and Bakersfield areas; and

19 WHEREAS, Officer Dormaier was killed in the line of duty on
20 December 25, 1980, when he and his partner, Officer Jerry Bean,
21 CHP Badge No. 6105, were attempting to set up road control for
22 an overturned propane truck. Officer Dormaier was standing on
23 the side of the road when a speeding tanker truck came barreling
24 through the fog. The driver attempted to stop, causing the vehicle
25 to jackknife near the center divider, striking Officer Dormaier and
26 the patrol car; and

27 WHEREAS, Officer Bean attempted to revive his partner and
28 administered CPR until the ambulance arrived. Officer Dormaier
29 was taken to Mercy Hospital, but unfortunately he succumbed to
30 his injuries; and

31 WHEREAS, Officer Dormaier was a hard working, dedicated
32 officer who loved his job and enjoyed the people he worked with.
33 He was a very nice man who was known for being a loving and
34 devoted father; and

35 WHEREAS, In recognition of Officer Dormaier's great
36 contributions and sacrifice in serving the California Highway Patrol
37 and the residents of California, it is appropriate to designate the
38 interchange at the junction of State Highway Routes 99 and 166
39 in the County of Kern in his honor; now therefore be it

1 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
2 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates the
3 interchange at the junction of State Highway Routes 99 and 166
4 in the County of Kern as the CHP Officer Gerald E. Dormaier
5 Memorial Interchange; and be it further

6 *Resolved,* That the Department of Transportation is requested
7 to determine the costs of erecting appropriate signs, consistent
8 with the signing requirements for the state highway system,
9 showing this special designation and which shall include the star
10 of the California Highway Patrol and, upon receiving donations
11 from nonstate sources covering the cost, to erect those signs; and
12 be it further

13 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
14 of this resolution to the Director of Transportation and to the author
15 for appropriate distribution.